

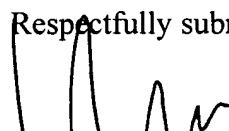
REMARKS

Attorney for Applicant has carefully reviewed the Restriction Requirement on the above-identified application.

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the claims of Group I, drawn to an ankle brace. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-26 read on Group I. Applicant expressly reserves the right to file Divisional Applications to cover the invention of the remaining claims. Applicant has made this election to expedite prosecution of the above-referenced application, and does not make any representation as to the merits of the Restriction Requirement.

All issues raised in the Restriction Requirement are believed to have been addressed. Claims 1-26 are pending in this application. Applicant respectfully submits that these claims are directed to the same invention and are in condition for allowance. Examination is requested and favorable action solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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